

Amendments to the Specification

After the Title on page 1, line 1, and before the paragraph beginning “The present invention” on page 1, line 4, please insert the following paragraph:

The present application is a 35 USC §371 application of PCT/EP03/10754 filed September 26, 2003, which claims the benefit of EP Patent Application No. 02256908.1 filed October 3, 2002.

Before the paragraph beginning “The present invention” on page 1, line 4, please add the following heading:

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

Before the paragraph beginning “The use of taped imbricated bags has been known” on page 1, line 8, please add the following heading:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Before the paragraph beginning “The present invention comprises an apparatus for taking up a succession of imbricated packaging bags” on page 1, line 28, please add the following heading:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Before the paragraph beginning “The invention will be described by way of example only” on page 2, line 27, please add the following heading:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Before the paragraph beginning "Figure 1 shows schematically how the present invention is employed" on page 3, line 3, please add the following heading:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

After page 8, line 16, on a separate page, please add the attached Abstract Of The Disclosure (please see sheet attached to this response).